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The Rochester Knitting Guild is an organization to promote interest, appreciation and skill in knitting.

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Presidents' Message

This is the last newsletter before we break for the summer, and the May meeting is our last before next fall. And we're hoping that it is not our last. As we write this, there are vacancies in board positions for the new year. We hope that changes by the May meeting. If not, the current board will need to assess how and if the Guild can proceed. We have some dedicated volunteers for some positions, but they cannot do it alone. When we were in this position last fall, interim appointments were made by the existing Board, according to the Bylaws, but they are interim appointments and not all can continue, including both of us. **THE GUILD NEEDS YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE.** As Sarah and we have said, you don't need to do it alone and you can share a position.

Volunteer here <https://forms.gle/fJziEBye1vnb7gE8>

We have been honored to serve in this transition during this challenging time and applaud the efforts of all who have served on the Board as officers and in supporting roles.

Anne Schweighardt and Holly Bauer-Mergen
Copresidents

May Meeting

We will be meeting via Zoom this month! Because of the current Covid positivity numbers the Guild board opted to meet online for our safety. Spend your transportation costs for the ninth at one of our lovely local yarn shops. Gasoline and cashmere are in the same price bracket now.

<https://sjfc.zoom.us/j/3558250926>

A gentle reminder: the Rochester Knitting Guild is made possible by volunteers. If these open positions on the board are not filled before August 2022, the Guild will have to go on hiatus, and possibly dissolve.

Please consider volunteering for at least a one-year term. Thank you!

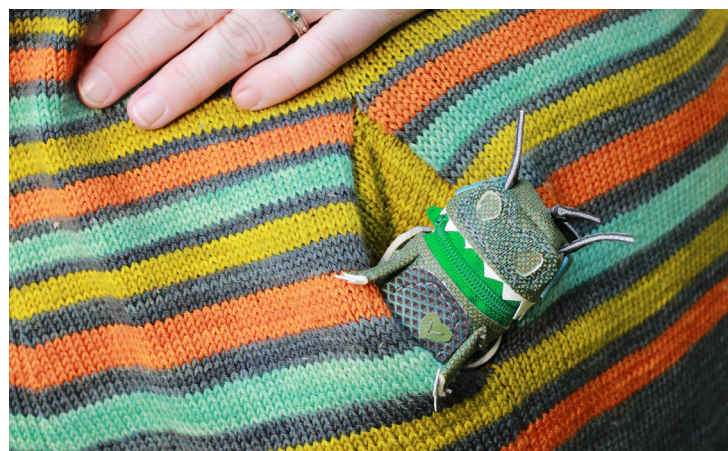
Treasurer

A current budget and expense report for the Guild is included this month as required by our by-laws.

Joan Batzold
Treasurer

Upcoming Meetings

<i>All Hands Meetings</i>	<i>Board Meetings</i>
May 9th	May 23rd
7:00 p.m. via Zoom	7:00 via Zoom. Link available upon request



ATTENTION MEMBERS – HELP WANTED:

We are looking for nominations to fill Board positions for the 2022-2023 season. They are President, Vice-President, Director 1, Director 2, Secretary and Financial Reviewer. It's a great way to enhance your experience within the Guild and you don't have to do it alone; the current Board is here to help *and* you can share a spot with a friend.

Here are the (abridged) descriptions of the positions:

President: oversees the Board and acts as the liaison between the Guild and the community; elected by majority of the members from a nomination.

Vice-President: coordinates the monthly programs for the Guild. They may present these lectures themselves or find volunteers to do so; elected by majority of the members from a nomination

Directors 1 and 2: act as a liaison between the Guild membership and the board. If you're not comfortable speaking with the Board directly about a matter,

these folks are your advocates. This is a two-year role per spot.; elected by majority of the members from a nomination.

Financial Reviewer: works with Treasurer to review the Guild's finances and provides a report to the Board; volunteer

Secretary: records minutes of all business meetings of the Guild and the Executive Board and may carry on necessary correspondence on behalf of the Guild; elected position

If you think you have what it takes, please drop Anne and Holly a note at president@rochesterknitting.org or use this form <https://forms.gle/fJziEBye1vnb7gE8> to volunteer .

We would love to see a new group of folks help the Guild continue.

*~ Sarah Shepard
Past President*

Kim McBrien Evans

The Rochester Knitting Guild was delighted to have Kim McBrien Evans as our presenter at the April 11 meeting--there was a terrific response to her engaging presentation!

At our 2022 Guild Workshops, Kim's amazing classes will help us explore the tools and techniques to make sweaters that fit every body--you will learn how to design or adjust patterns to fit YOU just right.

On Monday, May 9, in the 9:00 am to noon class, Kim will hold a **Sweater Fit Clinic** where you can learn possible solutions to your sweater fit problems. We'll cover common sweater fit issues and solutions: upper torso/shoulder fit; chest fit; mid-torso/waist, back; hip/hem fit. Bring your questions!

On Monday from 1:30-4:30 pm, we will learn about Pockets! Why don't more sweaters have pockets? All our clothing should have pockets! Big pockets. Useful

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Some spaces are still available in the classes. In the interest of time PLEASE CONTACT workshops@rochesterknitting.org if you want to register so we can confirm your attendance and get the handouts to you before class. Registration is ONLY by mail, forms are attached to this newsletter and are available on the Guild website: <https://rochesterknitting.org/special-events/>.

Spring Workshops
May 6, 7, 8, & 9, 2022 via Zoom

2021/2022 Board of directors

Presidents	Holly Bauer-Mergen & Anne Schweighardt	president@rochesterknitting.org
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<i>Rochester Knitting Guild Budget & Expense</i>			
<i>As of 4/26/22</i>			
<i>Income</i>	<i>Proposed</i>		<i>2021-2022</i>
	<i>2021-2022</i>		<i>Income to Date</i>
<i>Membership Dues</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Guest Artist Workshop</i>	\$ 3,800.00	\$	1,575.00
<i>Fall Lecture Guest Adm.</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Library Fines</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Raffles</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Silent Book Auction</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Spring Retreat</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Yarn Auction</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Afghan</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Weaver's Guild Ad</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Insurance Refund</i>	\$ -	\$	42.00
<i>Donations</i>		\$	-
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 3,800.00	\$	1,617.00
<i>Operations</i>			
			<i>Expenses to date</i>
<i>Board Expenses</i>	\$ 350.00	\$	-
<i>Equipment</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Hospitality</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Insurance</i>	\$ 300.00	\$	290.13
<i>Library -- Books, etc.</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>P.O. Box Rental</i>	\$ 150.00	\$	166.00
<i>Rent - Temple</i>	\$ 6,000.00	\$	1,225.00
<i>Rent - Board Meetings</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Shop Liaison</i>	\$ -	\$	-
<i>Guest Artist Workshop</i>	\$ 3,475.00	\$	300.00
<i>Donations</i>	\$ 120.00	\$	-
<i>Supplies/Postage</i>	\$ 365.00	\$	120.01

<i>Printing</i>	\$ 350.00	\$ 153.72	
<i>Web Page</i>	\$ 825.00	\$ 814.83	
<i>Total Operations</i>	\$ 7,360.00	\$ 1,681.13	
<i>September Beginning Balance</i>			
\$ 13,538.66			
<i>Current Treasury Balance</i>			
\$ 13,825.81			

RKG SPRING WORKSHOPS WITH KIM McBRIEN EVANS

May 6, 7, 8, 9, 2022

Virtual Workshops via Zoom

Friday, May 6, 2022, 9:00-Noon

Apocalyptic Making Skills: Solo Measurements

Every designer and instructor you've ever met has told you NOT to take your own measurements. But what are we to do when social distancing and isolation are the norm? REBEL! And learn how to take measurements on our own, accurately. You'll walk away knowing how to put together a "solo measuring" toolkit, learn how to take your own body measurements, suitable for knitting garments, and understand which measurements are key to great garment fit.

What to Bring:

- dress in a light layer of close fitting clothing (Kim will be wearing a t shirt and leggings)
- Pencil
- Measurement sheet (from handout)
- Measuring tape long enough to go around your hips and full bust/chest
- Ruler (18"+ is ideal. Quilting/sewing ruler is perfect)
- masking tape
- Optional: dot stickers for marking measurement points
- Optional: Large paper clips or binder clips or other similar clip or safety pins

Friday-May 6, 2022, 1:30 - 4:30 pm

Bums and Bellies: Sweater Shaping for Your Body

Using your measurements and worksheets, we'll look at how to master the fit of sweater patterns to YOUR body, and what those modifications look like in a simplified form.

You will:

- Build a map of your body measurements + ease
- How to choose a size to start with
- How to compare your measurements to sweater schematics to learn how a "hybrid size" can be a solution when your measurements span more than one size.
- What to do when your weight is carried more in front or back
- Where and how to place shaping darts to help with fit

Homework:

Take measurements indicated on the first page of the handout

What to Bring:

- Pencil
- Handout
- Calculator (optional)
- Your measurements (see homework)

Saturday- May 7, 2022, 9 am-Noon + 1:30 - 4:30 pm (6 hour class with lunch break)

The Sweater Map: Set-in Sleeve Sweaters + Set-in Sleeve Modifications:

If the shoulders fit, the sleeves don't. If the sleeves fit, the bust doesn't. These are common fit issues in our sweaters. Let's fix them! When I'm making a sweater for myself, I make myself a visual "map" to show me what to do and when. Body shaping, sleeve shaping, bust darts and more are all on that 1 page image that acts as a guide for making my sweater. In this class, I'll show you how to make your own!

With a focus on Set-in Sleeves, you will learn:

- How to determine good armhole and bicep fit
- How to draft a new sleeve cap and armhole/armscye to your measurements
- How to change the length of a sleeve that ensures a good fit from cuff to shoulder

By the end of this class, you will have:

- a body map of yourself
- an understanding of ease and what your ease looks like on you
- a "sweater map" for a basic, set-in sleeve sweater designed for your body

Homework:

- Take measurements indicated on the first page of the handout
- Choose a personal croquis (fashion illustration model). You can choose one of the samples in the handout, or you can make one using YOU at mybodymodel.com

Discount code for mybodymodel:
INDIGODRAGONFLY (case sensitive)

What to Bring:

- Graph paper or dot grid paper (large enough squares for you to count)
- Ruler and tape measure
- Masking tape or washi tape (very small amount)
- Pencil
- Your croquis

Sunday- May 8, 2022, 9am – Noon

Boob Camp: Bust Darts for Every Body

Learn life changing techniques for those of us with larger chests. Sweaters look best when they fit us in our shoulders and properly accommodate our chest. Learn how to choose a size and to construct 2 types of bust darts for your chest, giving you endless choice for modifying any sweater pattern.

Homework:

- Take measurements indicated on the first page of the handout

What to Bring:

- Pencil, pen, notebook for making calculations
- optional: calculator
- Measuring Tape

Sunday- May 8, 2022, 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Boob Camp 2: Necklines for Every Body:

Come back to Boob Camp, and learn how to adjust any neckline to your favourite shape! Learn how to adjust neckline width and depth for comfort and style. Learn the best necklines for your bust size, neck length and shoulder shape, and why they work. We'll also look at colour and how colour blocking and pattern placement can create the illusion of different shapes, and enhance your necklines.

Homework:

- None

What to Bring:

- Handout
- Pencil, pen for making notes and calculations
- Knitter's graph paper (free download here: <https://www.printablepaper.net/category/knitting> — any size is fine)
- optional: calculator + measuring tape
- optional: If you have a "my body model" croquis, bring it to class!

Monday – May 9, 2021, 9am – Noon

Sweater Fit Clinic:

Come to the clinic and learn possible solutions to your sweater fit problems. We'll cover common sweater fit issues and solutions in the following order:

- Upper torso/shoulder fit
- Chest fit
- Mid-torso/waist, back
- Hip/hem fit

Homework:

Gather all your fit questions to bring to class!

What to Bring:

- Sweaters with fit issues
- Questions about fit difficulties

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Homework: This homework will allow you to try techniques in class.

Part 1:

Bring 2 finished swatches in stockinette stitch (garter stitch border on top and bottom only please). Your swatch should be at least 4" wide and 4" tall. DK or Worsted weight yarn is preferred.

Part 2:

Using DK or Worsted weight yarn, CO 30 stitches. Work 20 rows in Stockinette stitch, ending with a WS row. Leave work on needles and bring to class.

What to Bring:

- Homework swatches
- Yarn and needles used in homework swatches, or a contrasting colour
- Tapestry needle, extra knitting needle (DPN is fine), stitch markers and scrap yarn
- Scissors

**Rochester Knitting Guild
Kim McBrien Evans Spring Workshops
May 6, 7, 8, & 9, 2022**

Name: _____ e-mail _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: Day _____ Evening _____

Please print clearly. Homework and supply list will be sent by email in March 2022

Please indicate the desired workshop(s) and enclose this completed form with a check payable to the Rochester Knitting Guild for the total amount, and mail to:

Cheri Switzer
73 Tree Brook Dr.
Rochester, NY 14625

Members: \$25 Non-members: \$30 (see below fees for 6 hour class)

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Total Amount Due \$ _____

Check # _____